

TO FIT INDIVIDUAL FOR LIFE MISSION

Edward T. Devine Writes of
the "Duties" of Pub-
lic Education.

PASSING OF TREASURES TO EACH GENERATION

Says if Social Structure Is to Be
Sound Childhood "Must
Have Its Chance."

Social duties of education fitting the individual for his mission, to pass along the accumulated heritage of ages on-ward, to be the developments of the present as a sacred trust for the future, are discussed by Edward T. Devine, writing exclusively for the Survey Press Service.

Dr. Devine is a professor of social economy. The Survey is an association whose purpose is to investigate the facts of living and working conditions and to suggest means of social advance.

Dr. Devine's article is as follows:

"Education may be taken as a very broad term for the entire conscious process of passing on from one generation to another the accumulated treasures, the acquired capacities, of the race. So conceived, it touches every age, but childhood is its special province—the period marked by nature as peculiarly adapted to this process.

"If, unlike the beasts that perish, man has a social heritage, handed on from one generation to another, it is biological inheritance alone, it is to childhood that this debt is paid, by the child that the new credit is acquired in trust for the years ahead, in which they are to be the living link between the past with its achievements and the future with its possibilities.

Childhood Must Have Chance.

"If therefore the social structure is to be sound and suitable, childhood must have its chance, must have time to perform its function, must not be cheated of its debt, expected to yield a harvest of figs from a sowing of thistles.

"If we analyze this social task of education from our present point of view, one part of it undoubtedly consists in the mere preservation of actual information. We need not concern ourselves very much about that. The printing press has solved it.

"True, there is information which can be preserved and imparted only in other ways—for example, through art. Paintings, sculpture, architecture, music, all tell their own story in a way that descriptions of them, even critical studies of them, do not. The hand which can conceive and execute works of art, and the eye which can see and appreciate them, are essential to the preservation of our social heritage. Actual and valuable information perishes from the world if, as an incident of warfare, works of art are destroyed, or if, through the failure of education, we cease to know their value. Arts of skill might disappear in the same way. But, speaking largely, the next genera-

tion is not in serious danger of a dearth of information. A second task of education in a policy of social construction is to teach the use of the mind and body. It is of little avail to have a body unless one knows how to use it. Most of us misuse our hands, our back, our tongues and teeth, our lungs and diaphragms, our legs, our skin.

Once Traveled on All Fours.

"For a million years or so, no doubt, we traveled on all fours, as babies still do, and now nature fails us sometimes when we try to stand upright. For a part of our salvation on earth depended on ability to distinguish friend from foe at a great distance. Now, when the objects of our interest and solicitude are nearly always at eighteen inches from the eye instead of a mile, we find ourselves handicapped by an optical instrument fitted for the distant but not for the near vision. We subject ourselves to eye-strain, and have headaches, curved spines and ill temper in consequence.

"No other mechanism in the world, we are often assured, is so continuously and flagrantly abused—from ignorance, from obstinacy, from carelessness, from parasitic enemies, from indulgence of its own eccentricities—as the human body. Education for efficiency implies instruction as to these elementary things—not anatomy and physiology, though those are useful, but cleanliness, respect for bodily functions, co-ordination of muscles, repose of nerves. Hygiene in all its branches is the first element in social education.

"But the mind also is useless save as we have learned how to use it. To impart information is no more to give the mastery of the mind than to impart force is to give the mastery of the body. Certain drills are necessary to make the mind rapid and accurate. Certain processes are necessary to develop observation and the critical faculty. Other exercises are useful in cultivating the memory and the imagination.

Choosing Things Worth While.

"But, above all, in a policy of social construction the educational system must be successful in planting, watering and securing increase in the power of forming economic judgments, in the power of estimating values as higher and lower, of comparing rightly future pleasures with those of the present, the permanent with the fleeting, the spiritual with the material. Right reasoning about what is to be attained by a given effort, and what the satisfaction thus attained is really worth, as compared with other possible results from the same effort—this, I take it, is a prime function of social education.

"One other obvious end of education may be named along with the imparting of information and the development of capacity to use the mind and the body. That is the forming of good physical, mental and moral habits. The economic reasoning just now referred to is a conscious and sometimes a slow and painful process. But after a while, if the processes of our reasoning are sound, particular judgment has been formed so clearly or so often, or is so buttressed by authority, that it is accepted as a moral judgment. It obtains an ethical sanction. The conscious-reasoning process is no longer necessary. Time is saved. Effort is saved. Wear and tear of tissue and vital energy are saved.

"No doubt, honesty was once the best policy, where there may be borders where it is so still. But for us and our children honesty has ceased to be a policy. It is an instinct, a habit of mind, an economic judgment so often made, so clearly established, so authoritatively attested, that it offends rather than helps us to allude to its material advantages.

Results of Continued Inquiry.

"The farther we can go in this direction of economizing the reasoning process, the more instinctive and im-

mediate right courses of conduct can become, the more we shall be able to extend our field of operations, the more complete will be our conquest of nature, and the more productive will be the usual expenditure of energy in satisfying the higher and more complex wants.

"This re-statement of the elementary aims of education may seem to specialists to be to trite, or so incomplete as to be fantastic. The school system to the social economist is an instrument like any other of social construction. Education conceived as the means of carrying civilization forward, as the conscious link between the generations, is at least these things: Pass on the information; make the mind and body fit instruments of satisfying the wants of mind; encourage those habits and instincts which economize power and promote the social welfare. But in terms of social problems, the school must aid in preventing poverty by making men more efficient; in preventing disease by making men strong and well; in preventing crime by making men law-abiding in spirit and in instinctively aware of the rights of others; in preventing violence by inculcating against self-righteousness and brutality."

DIXIE DAY AT BIG FAIR.

Clarence T. Owen and John Temple Graves to Speak.

Clarence T. Owen, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress, is to deliver the opening address and preside at "Dixie day" during "South week" at the Panama-Pacific exposition during the week August 9-14. John Temple Graves is to be the orator. This week's celebration is under the direction of the Southern Commercial Congress in co-operation with the Southern Commercial Secretaries' Association and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. It is expected that 100,000 southerners will be in attendance.

The "Dixie day" festivities, which are to open the week's celebration, are in charge of the southern states societies of California.

Fatal Gas Explosion in Mine.

PITTSBURGH, Kan., July 17.—One miner was killed and another badly injured in a gas explosion in mine No. 7 of the Sheridan Coal Company, near Mulberry, this afternoon. The plant had been idle several days because of water in the workings.

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During the warmest part of the year, when the weather stays above zero, biting winds sweep across this peninsula, tearing the ice from the cliffs and sending it crashing into the sea. When the

unspeakable cold of winter comes down the land is still as the presence of death. Yet this region is inhabited by some thousand Eskimos. They are a fair product of their environment—treacherous, thieving and immoral. When the women of their tribes become too old to sew deerskins, or when the men become too old to hunt, they are killed to save food. It is generally the oldest son who performs the patricidal rite. When the ancient Siberian has reached the "dying time" a great feast is held, the victim is gotten thoroughly drunk and then hanged, stabbed or shot by his son, the method of murder being chosen by the victim.

In the spring salmon swarm up the streams, which are very narrow, and the Eskimos have literally but to lift them out. So improvident are these people, however, that, although they gorge their fill, they never think of drying or smoking a supply of fish for winter use. During winter the food supply is much more

precious. Seal and walrus hunting and the reindeer herds are the only resources. There are often famines, which always result in the killing off of more of the old people.

In seal and walrus hunting these Eskimos are wonderfully skillful. They make canoes of picked walrus hide about fifteen feet long, which are absolutely watertight. The best marksmen of the family is placed in the bow with a repeating rifle of heavy caliber. In the stern sits an old man, who steers. A number of women and boys are the paddlers. When the seal or walrus is sighted the rifleman must kill him at the head. Then the boat must reach him in a few seconds or the carcass will sink and be lost.

The whole process is gone through with wonderful speed and dexterity, but the aftermath is disgusting. The moment the seal is in the boat the women begin to fight to decide which shall have the privilege of gouging out its eyes, which are considered great delicacies

and are sucked and chewed with great gusto by the victors.

The czar of all the Russias has sent two expeditions to overcome these people. Neither of these expeditions was ever heard from again, and these Eskimo tribes are the only people in all the czar's dominions who have never paid him tribute.

SEE GREEK WAR CHANGE.

Diplomats Here Expect to See
Nation Join Allies.

The resignation of the Greek foreign minister caused some surprise in diplomatic circles here as it was generally expected the entire cabinet would go out together when the national chamber reassembles this week. In some quarters a change in the Greek foreign policy is looked for which may align Greece with the allies.

CONVICT KILLED BY GUARDS.

Prison Inmates Use Weapons in Attempting to Gain Liberty.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 17.—Harry Smith, a white convict, was shot and killed by guards when he and three others made a dash for liberty last night at the Lucile mines, according to information given out by the state convict board today.

In some manner the convicts obtained weapons, and in attempting to escape fired several shots at the guards. The guards returned the fire with rifles, resulting in the killing of Smith and capturing of the three others.

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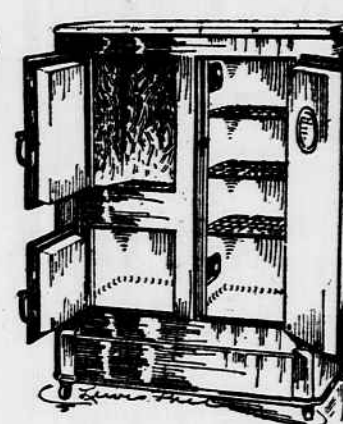
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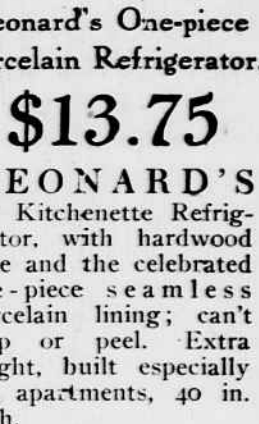
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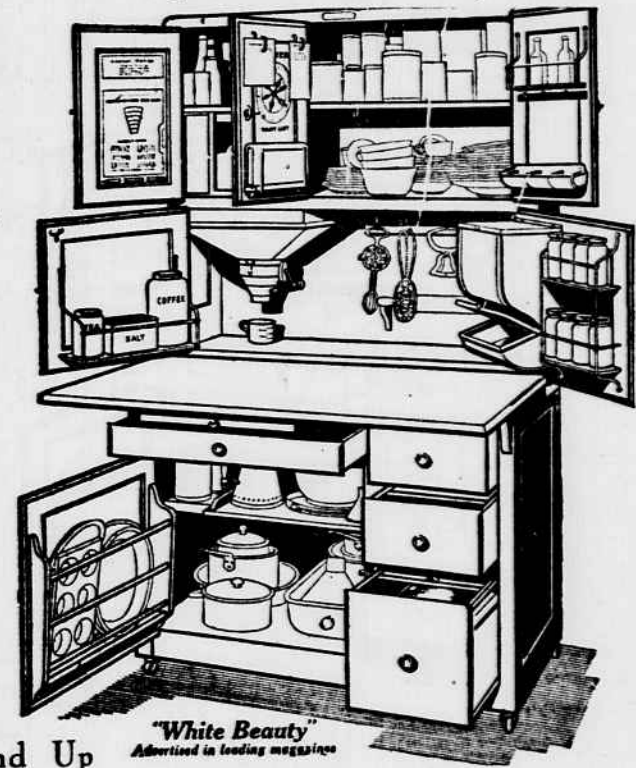
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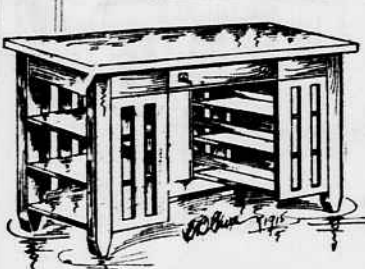


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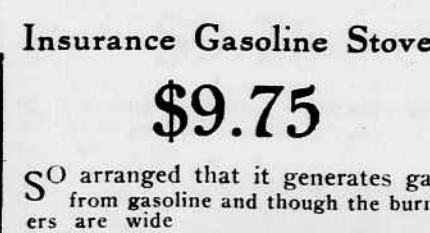
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